

**MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY FORM**

NR Eligible: yes ☐
no ☒

Property Name: Schroeder Farmstead Inventory Number: BA-3112
Address: 9849 Belair Road City: Perry Hall Zip Code: 21128-9729
County: Baltimore County USGS Topographic Map: White Marsh
Owner: Bill G. & Niki Papageorgopoulos Is the property being evaluated a district? ☐ yes
Tax Parcel Number: 379 Tax Map Number: 63 Tax Account ID Number: 1102069391
Project: Honeygo Boulevard Agency: Baltimore County
Site visit by MHT staff: ☒ no ☐ yes Name: _____ Date: _____
Is the property is located within a historic district? ☐ yes ☒ no

If the property is within a district District Inventory Number: _____
NR-listed district ☐ yes Eligible district ☐ yes Name of District: _____
Preparer's Recommendation: Contributing resource ☐ yes ☐ no Non-contributing but eligible in another context ☐ yes

If the property is not within a district (or the property is a district) Preparer's Recommendation: Eligible ☒ yes ☐ no

Criteria: ☒ A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D Considerations: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G ☐ None

Documentation on the property/district is presented in:

Description of Property and Eligibility Determination: *(Use continuation sheet if necessary and attach map and photo)*

The complex of buildings at 9849 Belair Road occupies 1.9-acres of land and includes a wood frame dwelling house, a masonry cold storage/spring house, a wood frame smoke house, a wood frame bank barn, wood frame stable, a wood frame shed, a log building, and a frame and stucco store. There are also two foundations, and a capped well on this property, and a stream runs along the east side of the property. The side gabled, two and one-half story, five bay by one bay dwelling with a two and one-half story ell rests on a concrete covered foundation. A one-story shed roofed addition fills the ell. The former owner's son-in-law, Mr. Rye, indicates the two and one-half story ell was the original house, the main block being an addition (personal communication March 2003).

HOUSE. A large cross gable and a full-length porch dominate the north (front) façade. Turned wood columns support the porch roof. Protected by a balustrade with straight stiles, the porch has received a new wood deck. The symmetrically arranged windows are two-over-two double hung sash set in wood frames with wood storm windows. An arched window is located in the cross gable. The front entrance is located in the bay to the right of center. Sidelights flank the wood paneled and glass front door, and a transom caps the doorway. Asbestos siding covers the house except in the gables where wood shingles are present. A small shed roofed addition on a molded concrete block foundation abuts the east elevation. An interior chimney projects through the

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MHT Comments

Concur with assessment of eligibility for purposes of the current project, but more info would be necessary for formal nomination.
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ridge of the ell's roof. Asphalt shingles cover all the roofs. A short masonry retaining wall stands in front of the house.

SPRINGHOUSE AND SMOKEHOUSE. A gable roofed masonry springhouse/cool storage building is set into the earth on a downslope to the northwest of the dwelling. The gable roof extends twice the length of the structure on the south elevation sheltering the entrance and stairs below grade. A gable roofed wood frame smokehouse sits approximately six meters (20 ft) northeast of the dwelling. Vertical planks cover the smokehouse, which has a small window on the north side. A brick chimney projects through the roof, which is covered with rolled asphalt.

SHED, BARN AND STABLE. A wood frame shed (possibly a butcher house) stands approximately 15 meters (50 ft) southeast of the house. Built on piers, this gable roofed building has a roof overhang on the west side and is covered with board and batten siding and planks. Corrugated metal is used as roofing. A two and one-half story gable roofed wood frame barn stands approximately 23 meters (75 ft) southwest of the dwelling. Covered with board and batten siding on the body and vertical wood planks in the gable, corrugated metal covers the roof. A long one-story, gable roofed stable sheathed with vertical planks stands next to the south elevation of the barn. Covered with asphalt shingles, the structure is in disrepair with sections of the roof collapsing.

LOG BUILDING. Approximately two meters (7 ft) from the southwest corner of the barn is a two-story log structure with a gable roof. Sheathed with vertical planks, the log construction is clearly visible on the east elevation where portions of the siding are missing. The rough-hewn logs are v-notched on the upper level corners and unnotched on the first floor, in both instances leaving large gaps between the logs. On the first floor, fieldstones as well as bricks fill the gaps, which are chinked with mortar. The upper loft, which may have been used to store grain, hay, or other animal feed, appears to have been added later and features smaller logs than the first floor. Two plank doors/openings are on both gable ends and on the far northern end of the east wall of the building. At one time the building may have functioned as a log pen or crib. At the time of the site visit, this building was filled to capacity on the inside and the interior was not available for inspection.

The current resident at this property says that she believes that there may have been another wing on the south elevation. Although there is some soil anomaly in the ground that could suggest an earlier floor, proof of this could not be gleaned at this time because exterior walls have been sheathed with wood planks. According to Mr. Rye, the son-in-law of the former owner, this log building served as temporary quarters for the family while the present main block of the house was constructed during the early years of the twentieth century (personal communication March 2003). No exterior evidence of chimneys could be seen, but the building was obviously re-covered over the years. The small doors with strap hinges suggest that the building was used (or converted for use) for storage of farm crops or animals.

STORE. Sitting approximately 25 meters (82 ft) northwest of the house near Belair Road is a one-story building with a gable roof, which now houses an antiques store. The main block and an adjoining wing on the south elevation are stuccoed. Asbestos shingles cover a second wood frame wing attached to the south elevation of the stuccoed addition and the gable on the north elevation. A large picture window is centered on the east elevation of the main block. The north elevation has a picture window flanked by one-over-one double hung sash. A gable window in the north elevation and a window in the northwest corner of the west elevation are also one-over-one double hung sash. The rest of the doors and windows have been covered except for a double door in the south elevation and a shed roofed entry on the east elevation.

HISTORIC BACKGROUND

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The land around present-day Perry Hall was originally patented as a 1000 acre tract in 1684 to George Ligan. Called The Adventure, the property by 1773 was owned by prominent planter Corbin Lee who subsequently began construction of a large Georgian-style mansion on a bluff overlooking the Belair Road (Route 1). Lee died before its completion, and in 1774, Harry Dorsey Gough purchased the property and renamed the property Perry Hall (Lacey 1979:15). By the mid-nineteenth century, much of the area around Perry Hall was agricultural with grain representing the main staple. The community also maintained a number of iron ore mines, forges, and furnaces that supplied Baltimore up until the early twentieth century (Lacey 1979:9).

Through the 1850s most of the settlers in the region were of English and Irish descent. In the area of the Schroeder Farmstead (BA-3112) and adjacent Schroeder Nursery (BA-3113), near the intersection of Old Forge and Belair Roads, merchant H.D.G. Carroll is listed as the owner of the property on the 1850 Sidney Map of Baltimore County (1850 Sidney Map; Marks 2000:58). H.D.G. Carroll played an integral role in subdividing the old Perry Hall estate into several smaller parcels (Marks 2000: 59). Sometime prior to 1866, however, the newly partitioned property had passed to Robert Purviance & Sons, for on June 22 of that year, Purviance sold the 60+ acre lot to John Schroeder (Baltimore County Land Records, Liber JHL 50, Folio 156). Schroeder was one of a number of newly arrived German immigrants who settled near the crossroads of Old Forge and Belair Roads. By the 1870s, the vicinity became known as Germantown (1877 Hopkins Map; Marks 2000: 55).

On September 21, 1911, Augustus R. Schroeder, the son of John Schroeder and Annie P. Schroeder sold 25 ¼ acres to William H. and Mary E. Schroeder (Baltimore County Land Records, Liber WPC 384, Folio 365). Although it is not yet definitive, this transaction may correspond to the division of this land to the east, which became the Schroeder's and then the Rye's cut flower farm. According to Mr. Rye, the front (now the main) block of the house was constructed in 1911 (personal communication). The Schroeder Farmstead continued to be subdivided in the mid- to late twentieth century, to its current, smaller size. Much of the area along Belair Road became suburbanized beginning in the 1960s, a trend that has continued into the 1970s and 1980s; but this property still retains some of its historic qualities as a nineteenth century farmstead. The USGS Whitemarsh 7.5' topographic map of the area, updated in 1966 and 1986, shows many more late twentieth century buildings and subdivisions (shown in red) than it does previously-existing buildings (shown in black; see attached).

NATIONAL REGISTER EVALUATION

The Schroeder Farmstead, located in Perry Hall, Baltimore County, was not previously surveyed and no determination of eligibility has been issued for the resource. Based on historical research, visual inspection, and an application of the criteria outlined in National Register Bulletin 15 How to Apply the National Register Criteria for Evaluation (NPS 1997a), the Schroeder Farmstead is historically and architecturally significant under National Register Criteria A and C for local patterns of history and as representative example of a vernacular farmstead still containing many of its outbuildings, including a fairly good surviving example of a log building. According to John McGrain of the Baltimore County Landmarks Commission, V-notched log buildings are the most common type in the County, but fewer and fewer log buildings actually survive in the local area. This appears to be an example of a Pennsylvania German form carried from southeastern Pennsylvania into Maryland and elsewhere (Kniffen and Glassie 1986:173). This log building appears to have undergone an evolution of uses, but understanding this chronology would require further investigation. Despite minor alterations to the dwelling and the apparent loss of two outbuildings (as evidenced by the foundations), the property as a whole retains sufficient integrity to convey its historic significance.

Historical research failed to associate the property with persons of local, state, or national significance. Therefore, the Schroeder Farmstead is recommended not eligible under Criterion B. Finally, no archaeological investigation or testing was conducted on

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this property and the property's potential for National Register eligibility under Criterion D cannot be assessed at this time.

BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION AND JUSTIFICATION

The proposed National Register boundary for the Schroeder Farmstead includes the entire parcel (Map 63, Grid 22, Parcel 379), which contains 1,044 square feet (97 square m). The parcel fronts on Belair Road (Route 1). With the exception of the store near the front of the property, all buildings should be considered contributing to this resource. The store substantially post-dates the farmstead and is out of keeping with the historic setting of this property. The proposed boundary was drawn to include the farmstead and the extant structures historically associated with the Schroeder Farmstead, as is required by National Register Bulletin Number 21 (National Park Service 1997b).

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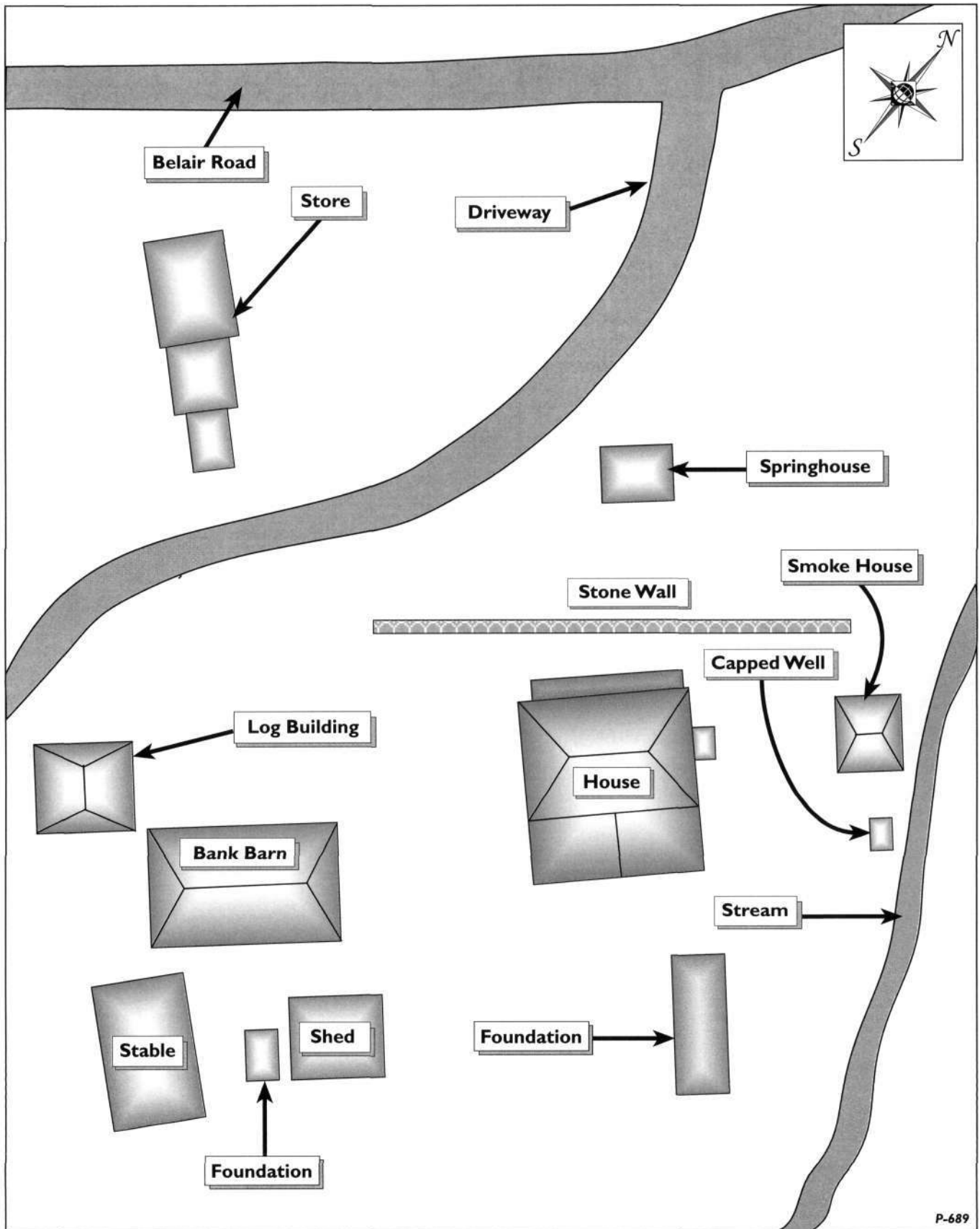
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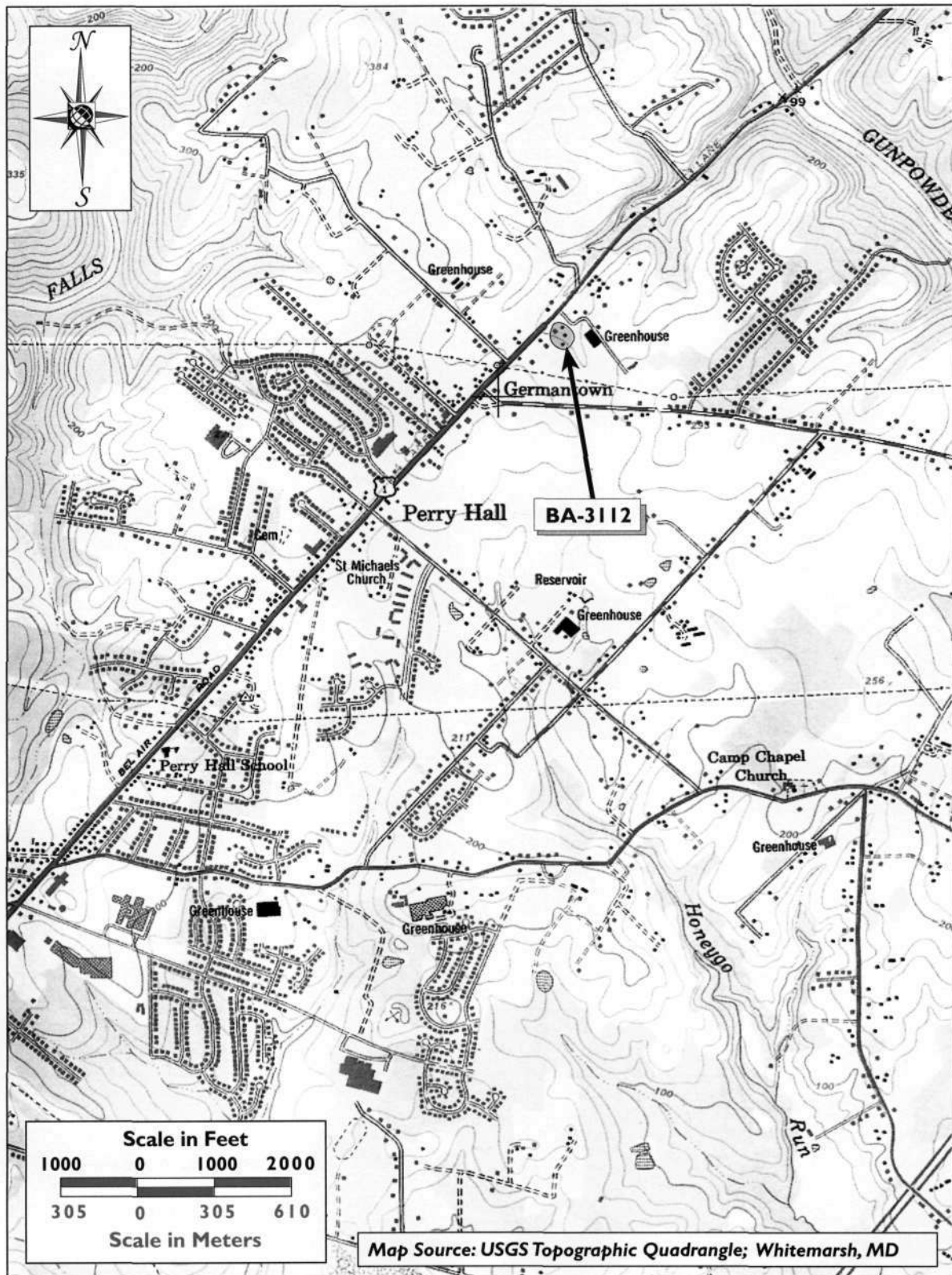
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Property BA 3112 - Schroeder Farmstead
Site Plan Attachment



Property BA 3112 - Schroeder Farmstead Location Map





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Overview of property, main house to left
of camera, barn to right. View to south.

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House, front and side elevations, view to
southeast.

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Springhouse, view to north.

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Barn, view to south.

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Log structure, view to south.

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Frame shed/butcher house, view to south.

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Smokehouse, view to north.

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Stable, view to west. Remains of foundation in foreground.

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Store/Antique Shop. view to south.

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